

## JUTLANDERS NOW COMPLAINING OF TEUTON CRUELTY

Captive Danes of Schleswig-Holstein Say Prussian Officials Are Persecuting Them

COPENHAGEN, December 12.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press).—Remarkable reports are in circulation here in the Danish capital regarding the treatment of the Danish population in the north of Schleswig-Holstein, the German province which borders on Denmark and which was formerly Danish territory. There are still over a hundred thousand inhabitants of Danish extraction and of Danish tongue, commonly known as South Jutlanders, in the German province and ever since they came under Prussian rule there have been charges that the Danes suffered persecution, although some years before the outbreak of the European war the trouble had nearly ceased. It is now charged that the Danes are meeting with new affronts, which are bitterly resented since a great number of the Danes have fought with great bravery and distinction as part of the German army in the present war. It is said that German commanders have been drawing up certain black lists of the Danish South Jutlanders, and that these persons are being punished with a severity out of proportion to the offences committed.

When war began, South Jutland, or the north of the province of Schleswig-Holstein, was placed under a military rule which superseded the authority of the high bailiff. One of the first measures taken by this military command was to send 300 South Jutlanders to prison. It is charged that many of these persons were awakened in the middle of the night and rushed off to the jail scantily clad. It is declared that the arrests were made on tenuous and imaginative evidence, such as the fact that a large number of fishermen were arrested were put in prison because they possessed boats in which it was thought that men eligible for military service could try to escape. Many of these fishermen were over seventy years old, and one of these old men, who has four sons and three sons-in-law serving in the German army, complains that he was kept for six days in a prison cell on mere suspicion of harboring deserters. The military command at this time were kept in jail for a month.

Danish newspapers in the province are subjected to the most rigid censorship, and one of these papers, "Hjemdal," was suppressed for eight days because it failed to mention the birthday of the German Emperor, according to the editors, who added that their tests that the Emperor had expressed the desire to pass the day quietly did not serve to move the authorities from their stand in the matter. The censorship work is also seen in the fact that they deleted an item in one of the papers which referred to the Italian Crown Prince's celebration of his eleventh birthday.

Innumerable reports of such curtailment of privileges are current in Copenhagen, some of them well authenticated and others mere rumor. In the latter category perhaps is the report here that practically all persons formerly rejected by the German army authorities on account of physical deformity have been accepted for military service, even, the rumor goes, men with club feet, others who are lame, crippled, and suffering from chronic illness of various sorts.

## SEAS STILL ROUGH UNDER KONA WIND

Holsatia, Anchored Outside. Changes Ground: Storm Forces Men To Remain Aboard

Rough seas continued outside the harbor yesterday. Both reefs broke heavily all day. The wind was back in south-southeast at nightfall, after veering slightly to the west during the day. So long as the kona continues to blow there will be rain, and the showers probably will end in a rain squall from the northeast; then, when the trades begin blowing, fair weather may be expected.

The German steamer Holsatia, anchored outside, rolled heavily in the swell yesterday. She steamed from her anchorage yesterday morning, presumably to get a better holding ground. It could not be ascertained whether her anchors had dragged, but Capt. J. R. Macaulay, territorial pilot, who took the British steamer Navarino to sea last evening, said that he did not believe they had, as the slope was steep and the holding good, and that it appeared that she had sought deeper water and anchorage further from the reef. Her position, he said, was about as good as could be found outside. It is to the east of her old ground.

Officers of the Holsatia intended coming in to spend Christmas with those of the other German vessels here, but they did not. It was rough for their boats, and they probably did not wish to leave their ship while the kona continued. Their Christmas was a dreary one.

Officers of the Hill steamer Great Northern, which departed for San Francisco last night, did not anticipate that the wind would retard the steamers much. Vessels bound to the islands from the coast probably will be retarded more than those bound to the coast.

## WELL-KNOWN MAN HAS PASSED AWAY

Harry Wright Dies After Long and Useful Residence in Hawaiian Islands

Harry Wright, one of the best known members of the British colony in this Territory, died at his residence, 1167 Kalia street, Kalia, at seven o'clock on Christmas morning.

Deceased was born in Langton, Durham, England, sixty-two years ago, and came to Honolulu in 1883, arriving in the steamer City of Sydney from England. He was a brother of W. W. Wright of this city, who came to Honolulu first of four brothers. After the death of Harry Wright's first wife, his brother, W. W. Wright, sent for Harry and he and another brother, Tom Wright, came out together.

Harry Wright first went to work as blacksmith at the Honolulu Iron Works, where he remained for two years. He then went to Spreckelsville in a similar capacity, and remained there for five years. Returning to Honolulu, Harry Wright went into business with his brother Tom as ship's blacksmith, the association continuing for eighteen years. These premises were adjoining those of the Honolulu Planing Mill, in lower Fort street.

Deceased next went to work as master blacksmith with Catton, Neill & Co., remaining with that firm for five years, at the end of which time he accepted a position with the Oahu Railway and Land Company, which he filled until sickness caused him to lay aside the implements of his trade, last October.

Harry Wright was married twice, having four children by his first wife, Fred Wright, a member of the mounted patrol; George Wright, a member of the local fire department; Jack Wright, and Mrs. John Pascoe of this city. By his second wife, who survives him, deceased had one child, Andrew.

Harry Wright was well-known and universally respected. He was a master of his craft and one of the squarest men these islands have ever known. In this connection it may be mentioned that at the graveside, an old friend of deceased, discussing the departed with another old friend, remarked, "I don't believe that Harry Wright told a lie in all his life."

The funeral took place from the undertaking parlors of H. H. Williams, yesterday afternoon, the interment being in Nuuanu cemetery. A large number of friends followed the body to its last resting-place and the floral offerings were profuse. The pallbearers were W. W. Wright, George E. Wright, Stanley Wright, John Fern, Paul Jarrett and Will Mabey.

Rev. Canon John Ault conducted the ceremony.

## Customs Receipts Making Good Gain Over Last Year's

Customs receipts for the district of Hawaii, which is Honolulu principally, have averaged twenty-five per cent more for the first five months of this fiscal year than during the same period last year; this despite reductions in the tariff.

Estimates are that the receipts for the fiscal year of 1915-16, ending June 30, 1916, will exceed \$1,250,000. Receipts for 1915 were \$1,019,534.62, as compared with \$1,184,416.12 for 1914, and \$1,869,512.39 for 1913, which was the district's best year.

Although Honolulu showed a falling off from 1914 to 1915, the loss was general throughout the country, and that here was comparatively small. Total receipts for the nation during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1914, were \$298,913,000; for the year ending June 30, 1915, \$212,116,000; a decrease of \$86,766,000.

The general decrease had two causes: lower duties and less imports, the latter being due to the war, which has cut down the export trade of every European nation. Honolulu's imports have felt the war only slightly, as most of the imports are from the Orient. The loss, therefore, has not been so large, comparatively, as districts that imported chiefly from Europe. Typical imports from Europe were English woollens and German foodstuffs; as for the latter, they have ceased.

## WILLARD SAYS HIS FIRST OPPONENT IS TO BE FRED FULTON

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) CHICAGO, December 27.—Jess Willard, champion heavyweight pugilist of the world last night put at an end all rumors concerning his fighting Jim Coffey or any one else until after his engagement at New Orleans next March 4, with Fred Fulton. To a party of newspaper men, Willard said that he would engage in no matches regardless of the promoters' actions with any one before the contest with the Minnesota white hope.

## BUILDING LOTS IN HILO ARE IN GREAT DEMAND

Transactions in building lots in Hilo for the past week or two have been very many. The Hilo Trust company recently has disposed of more than fifty pieces of property in and around Hilo. Most of the lots were bought by Hilo residents who desired home sites. Some of the lots were sold for commercial buildings. Lots in the district to be reclaimed by the government in the neighborhood of the Waiulana swamp are already commanding fancy prices, showing that the reclamation work will prove to be of great value to the city.

## NEPHEW OF SOLDIER SLASHED WITH KNIFE

Henry Carter Badly Gashed Across Abdomen During Fight Early Sunday Morning

As the result of a cutting affray which occurred outside the Majestic hotel early yesterday morning, Henry Carter, a nephew of Mayor John C. Lane, lies in the Queen's hospital suffering from a gashed abdomen. His wound, while serious, is not expected to be attended by fatal results.

It appears that about half past twelve o'clock Carter and J. Kinamon got into an altercation with five other men near the Ewa corner of Fort and Beretania streets and that in a melee which ensued Carter was cut.

The police report is to the effect that Carter and Kinamon, while walking up Fort street, had words with five soldiers in civilian attire and that Carter wanted to stop and call one of the men to account for an epithet which he had applied to him. Kinamon tried to dissuade his friend from following this course and told him to get away while the getting away was good.

Carter slashed in Meleke. The soldiers are said then to have attempted to prevent the other two from proceeding and are said to have threatened to beat them up, whereupon Kinamon is said to have struck one of the soldiers in the face. A mixup followed and in it Carter was slashed.

Carter was placed in a passing automobile and taken to the hospital, where his injuries were attended to by Doctor Hodgins. It was found that he had been cut right across the front of the abdomen and that one rib had been penetrated. No vital spot was touched.

Mounted Patrolman Kramer appeared on the scene and arrested W. McClure, Kinamon and E. L. Richards, who were taken to the police station and held pending investigation. McClure and Richards are both soldiers at Fort Shafter. Kinamon is said to be employed at Pearl Harbor. Carter is in the employ of the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company.

**Soldier Found in Hiding.** About half past five o'clock yesterday morning a soldier named Oscar Nelson, belonging to Fort Shafter, was found hiding under some straw in a vacant lot on the Ewa side of the Majestic hotel. He was taken to the police station and held for investigation. He was unable to give a satisfactory account of his movements during the previous few hours and after being identified by Kinamon as one of the men who were fighting with him and Carter was taken to the hospital, where the injured man positively identified Nelson as his assailant.

Tom Carter, the well-known tenor, and a brother of Henry Carter, stated last night that his brother had told him that Kinamon had come to his room near Fort and Beretania streets and asked him to get up and help him whip some men who had jumped and beaten him. Henry did as requested and got out for his pains.

## IMPORTANT BILLS INTEREST HAWAII

Chamber of Commerce Is Framing Program Affecting Certain National Legislation

Secretary Raymond C. Brown of the chamber of commerce is mapping out a program to begin the new year on and among the matters to be taken up early and pushed through are the bills recently introduced in congress having to do with vocational and military training schools and the amendments to the Vocational School Bill was introduced in the last congress, but died with the adjournment. It has been introduced again in the present congress and its wording makes it apply to states only. This bill provides for the appropriation by congress of several hundred thousand dollars the year of its passage for the purpose of establishing vocational schools and is so worded that by 1924 \$3,000,000 a year will be spent by the government for this purpose.

The provisions of the Military Training School Bill are not known here, as no copy of the bill has been received, but as it was introduced, applies only to states, also. It will be the endeavor of the chamber of commerce to have it shown to congress that Hawaii should participate in the benefits to be secured from these two bills should they pass and early action is expected from the committee to which the matters will be referred so that the chamber as a body may get busy and make its recommendations.

The chamber also will take action on the proposed tax on mail order houses, which forms the subject of another bill to be introduced in congress. It is estimated that these concerns do a business of more than \$60,000,000 a year between states which is not taxed. They compete with established business houses in communities, which are under great expense for salaries, rent and taxes. The mail order houses pay no tax except in the state in which they have their principal places of business, but do business in every state and territory of the union. The tax proposed will be a federal one.

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## ITEM IN MILITARY BILL RAISES QUERY

Provides Pay For 36,000 More Men Than Garrison Plan Calls For

The estimates of appropriations called for by the secretary of the treasury for the coming fiscal year under the coming requirements for the war department operations contain one significant item which appears to give color to the belief voiced by several leading mainland newspapers that the administration really expects congress will pass a much more generous military bill than that proposed by the administration.

Under the head of "Pay of the Army" there are contained many increases over last year, due to the general plan for increasing the number of officers and enlisted men of the army to be determined by congress. For the enlisted men the estimate calls for the coming year pay for 177,436 privates. This number is over thirty-six thousand in excess of the number proposed by Secretary Garrison in his plan for the increase to the army.

It is the belief in Washington that President Wilson desired to convince the Bryan wing of his party that he is not inclined to be militaristic in the least; that his plans for army increase are very modest and not incompatible with the belief of the fearless leader.

If the Republicans, reinforced by a number of Democratic votes in congress, are able to pass a bill for a larger increase, this, he wishes understood, is none of his doing. Pertinent questions as to the reason for this large item in the estimates have been asked by inquisitive Republican members and these queries have caused the administration no little embarrassment.

## GUNS ON TRUCKS IN COAST DEFENSE

Plans For Heavy Mobile Cannon Which May Be Shifted By Road Or Rail

As a result of experiments recently conducted by the ordnance department of the army gigantic guns mounted on motor trucks or railway cars are likely to be added to the coast defense equipment of the country. A scheme is being worked out contemplating the establishment of mobile batteries to protect stretches of coast line not commanded by the permanent fortifications now built or to be recommended. Part of the eighty millions expenditure for coast defense included in the administration's program is expected to be devoted to this work.

The European war has demonstrated that high-power guns can be used as mobile weapons, such guns as the German forty-two centimeter howitzer having revolutionized land warfare by the easy reduction of forts believed impregnable. It is proposed to adapt this lesson to American coast defense by linking up permanent works with well-ballasted wagon roads or railways paralleling the coast line so that the heavy guns could be rushed to any threatened point not protected by the present harbor defenses. The experiments in progress are being made to determine how large a gun can be effectively transported and transferred from its cradle to a concrete platform. The ordnance department has been experimenting with twelve-inch, fourteen-inch, sixteen-inch and even larger weapons.

## TWENTY-FOURTH TO GO TO FORT RUSSELL

From Washington advices just received the future station of many of the sergeants of the Twenty-fourth Infantry under the present War department ruling are eligible for transfer to the Twenty-fourth Infantry, will be Fort B. A. Russell, Wyoming.

The Twenty-fourth Infantry, which since its return from the Philippines has been enjoying temporary station at the Presidio, San Francisco has just been officially informed that whenever troops of the Eighth Brigade can be spared from the border and returned to the California station, the colored regiment will proceed to its new Wyoming station. The Eleventh Infantry also on the border will draw Fort Sheridan, Illinois, for its new station replacing the Twenty-seventh Infantry, which for the past eleven years has enjoyed the Chicago post and which will pass through Honolulu next month en route for service in Manila.

There are at present seven vacancies in the grade of sergeant in the Twenty-fourth Infantry and as many sergeants from the local colored regiment have applied for transfer to the mainland.

## VICTIM OF AUTOMOBILE IS SERIOUSLY INJURED

Mrs. William H. Dudy, wife of Sergeant Major Dudy of the First Infantry, who was struck by an automobile driven by Capt. C. B. Barker, Second Infantry, at the corner of Fort and King streets, last Tuesday, is seriously injured. This was first reported, according to information from Schofield Barracks. It is not thought Mrs. Dudy is dangerously hurt, but she was unable to appear in court last Friday. For this reason the trial of Captain Barker, on a charge of heedless driving, has been postponed for a week.

## ARMY AUTOMOBILE CASE IS UP AGAIN

Service Officers Will Try To Defeat Tax On Ground of Exemption

Several officers on duty in the department, including a half-dozen from Schofield Barracks, who are automobile owners, have been subpoenaed to appear as witnesses before Judge Stuart in the circuit court this morning at nine o'clock in the case of Cassels vs. Wilder, tax assessor of the city of Honolulu. This is the case involving the right of the territorial authorities to tax army officers on duty on Oahu.

The officers who will appear before the court include Col. L. W. V. Kenyon, Twenty-sixth Infantry; Lieut. Col. John E. McMahon and Capt. Arthur A. Cassels, First Field Artillery; Lieut. Col. W. P. Kendall and Capt. W. P. Davis, A. P. Clark, and J. L. Siner, medical corps; Capt. John E. Fair and David L. Stone, quartermaster corps; Capt. C. G. Hall, Fourth Cavalry, and Capt. S. M. Hinkle, Coast Artillery Corps.

Second Lieut. Matthew A. Palen, Twenty-fifth Infantry; Capt. Edward K. Mamee, department judge advocate, and Clarence Olsen will represent Captain Cassels and argument will be presented that the use of an officer's automobile under the conditions which exist on Oahu is a matter of military necessity, and as such no more liable to taxation by the local authorities than are his horse, his arms and uniforms, each necessary in the proper prosecution of his duty. The case is being made a test case on the question of the right of the Territory to require a tax from local army men on property, which is in daily use in their business, and there are some three hundred military automobile owners keenly interested in the outcome of the case.

On the question of jurisdiction the army officers lost a point recently on the decision of the supreme court of the territory, but this point finally will be disposed of on an appeal to the ninth circuit court of California.

## CHRISTMAS ATTENDED BY NO SERIOUS CRIME

Only Misdemeanors Keep Police Busy Over Week-End

While the police were kept busy over the week-end there was an agreeable absence of cases of a serious nature. A baker's dozen of those who celebrated wisely but too well were arrested and either charged with drunkenness or held to sober up, the official designation of the detention of the latter class being "held for safe-keeping."

A number of suspicious characters were rounded up, and a batch of soldiers were arrested by the provost guard and detained at the police station.

Those held for investigation during the past two days are as follows: Hurio, George Kaleikini, Fred Norton, A. M. Hewitt, W. Hood, George Rubick, S. Craddock, W. McClure, J. Kinamon, E. L. Richards and Oscar Richards.

Detained by the provost guard are T. J. Coker, James E. Frizo, Harper, H. W. Anderson, Norward, E. S. Dawson, G. J. Mowery, C. Alcock, George W. Morey and F. Adamczak.

Pat Brady and H. Berger were arrested and charged with vagrancy.

G. Keawehela was arrested and charged with assault on a police officer. Lee Koon Yen, Ah Lee, Ah Sam and Pung Nee were arrested and charged with having opium in possession.

William Baker was arrested and charged with a statutory offense.

Tomalia, Baonon, Salvador, Saino, Carolo, Pfeide and A. Bela were caught crap shooting and charged accordingly.

Takano was charged with violating a section of the traffic ordinance.

## COAST DETECTIVE STARTS BACK WITH FUGITIVE WOMAN

Departing by the steamer Great Northern last night was Detective Sergeant C. H. F. Jenkins of the San Francisco police department. Jenkins took back to the coast with him Mary Bonavitz, a woman, wanted in San Francisco on a charge of grand larceny. Neither Jenkins nor the local authorities would give any information as to the details of the offense with which the woman is charged.

## 'LORRAINE BUT WOUNDED' SAYS BRAVE OFFICIAL

Department Already At Work Repairing Damage Done By the Invaders

NANCY, France, December 2.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press).—"Everyone's thoughts are directed toward the victorious termination of the war, and that unity of purpose alone suffices to create discipline," said Monsieur Mirman, Prefect of the department of Meurthe and Moselle, in explanation of what some call the "new spirit" in France.

Monsieur Mirman has become widely known through the work he has done in a dangerous post during the war. He was director of hygiene at the ministry of the interior when the war began and he could have retained that safe post but he preferred to take an active part in the great struggle.

"Send me to Nancy," he asked of Minister Malvy, when he learned that the Prefect of Meurthe and Moselle had fallen ill. "To Nancy? It is a question whether you can get there ahead of the Germans," he was told at the ministry. He was given the chance and he arrived in the ancient capital of Lorraine on the historic day, August 4, 1914, while the "sacred union" was being consecrated in the French parliament. He lived with his family through all the anxious moments of the battle of Morhange, of Nancy and of the Marne. During the critical hours from August 22 to August 24, when it was expected that the city might at any minute be occupied by the Germans, Monsieur Mirman and Madame Mirman were conspicuous in the rue Saint-Jean, making what the Prefect calls their "diplomatic promenades."

The cannon thundered ominously and unceasingly, yet the population, seeing "Monsieur le Prefect" and "Madame la Prefete" calmly examining the goods displayed in the principal shop windows, went quietly and resignedly about their various occupations. There was never the slightest panic and at the most critical moment on August 24, less than 5000 of the 120,000 inhabitants left the city for the interior.

The last shots of the battles of Nancy, or the battle of Metz as the German call it, and the battle of the Marne had scarcely been fired before Monsieur Mirman, in the wake of the retreating Germans, set about making an inventory of the damage in his department and the inauguration of measures of relief, comfort and restoration. Dead bodies of civilian victims were still lying where they fell around Garberville and other afflicted towns when this work began.

"We picked up the bodies of seven dead civilians over there," he said to a correspondent of The Associated Press, pointing to a little ravine on the road from Gerbevillers to Nancy. Monsieur Mirman had not only to assure burial to the civilian victims of the invasion found here and there after the decisive engagements of the first week of September, but had to provide food and shelter for thousands of refugees from regions still occupied or from towns rendered uninhabitable.

"The bombarded towns of Lorraine may be said to be wounded, not dead," he said, in explanation of the rapid restoration of many stricken villages to which the entire population has returned. "It is only the towns to which the torch has applied that are practically annihilated. The houses of Lorraine villages are solidly built of stone and bombardments, unless systematically followed up, damage without destroying. Gerbevillers and Nomeny are examples of another kind. There were few shells fired into these towns.

The buildings were systematically set fire by squads of German soldiers provided with most complete incendiary equipment, specimens of which we picked up in and around the town afterward. The hypothesis of accident is entirely precluded also by the fact that it took two and a half days continued effort to complete the burning of Gerbevillers; an accident is rarely either so persevering or so thorough.

"In the stricken villages of the portion of Meurthe and Moselle not still occupied by the enemy, in some cases all, and in most cases nearly all the exiled population has returned. Even Gerbevillers, where we have repaired what was repairable and erected new temporary homes, half of the 1600 inhabitants have returned."

Hilo has a candidate for the position of principal of the Boys' Industrial School at Waialeale, in the person of W. S. Terry.

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During his three days' wanderings in the underbrush of the forest he kept a diary and the last entry made was to the effect that he thought he was dying and that he wished whoever found his body would notify his mother, who resides in Bremen, Germany.

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